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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 13, 2001

Mr. FLAKE (for himself, Mr. SMITH of Texas, and Mr. STUPAK) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

OCTOBER 15, 2002

Additional sponsors: Mr. McNULTY, Mr. McHUGH, Ms. HART, Mr. SCHAFER, Mr. HAYWORTH, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. GOODE, Mr. GALLEGLY, Mr. McDERMOTT, and Mr. FORBES

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[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on June 13, 2001]

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
 2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. MAKING IT ILLEGAL TO OPERATE A MOTOR VE-**
 4 **HICLE WITH A DRUG OR ALCOHOL IN THE**
 5 **BODY OF THE DRIVER AT LAND BORDER**
 6 **PORTS OF ENTRY.**

7 *Section 13(a) of title 18, United States Code, is*
 8 *amended—*

9 *(1) by inserting “(1)” after “(a)”;* and

10 *(2) by adding at the end the following:*

11 *“(2) Whoever with a drug or alcohol in his or her body*
 12 *operates a motor vehicle at a land border port of entry in*
 13 *a manner that is punishable, because of the presence of the*
 14 *drug or alcohol, if committed within the jurisdiction of the*
 15 *State in which that land border port of entry is located*
 16 *(under the laws of that State in force at the time of the*
 17 *act) shall be guilty of a like offense and subject to a like*
 18 *punishment.*

19 *“(3) Any individual who operates a motor vehicle at*
 20 *a land border port of entry is deemed to have given consent*
 21 *to submit to a chemical or other test of the blood, breath,*
 22 *or urine of the driver by an officer or employee of the Immi-*
 23 *gration and Naturalization Service authorized under sec-*
 24 *tion 287(h) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8*
 25 *U.S.C. 1357(h)) for the purpose of determining the presence*

1 *or concentration of a drug or alcohol in such blood, breath,*
2 *or urine.*

3 “(4) *If an individual refuses to submit to such a test*
4 *after being advised by the officer or employee that the re-*
5 *fusal will result in notification under this paragraph, the*
6 *Attorney General shall give notice of the refusal to—*

7 “(A) *the State or foreign state that issued the li-*
8 *cence permitting the individual to operate a motor ve-*
9 *hicle; or*

10 “(B) *if the individual has no such license, the*
11 *State or foreign state in which the individual is a*
12 *resident.*

13 “(5) *The Attorney General shall give notice of a convic-*
14 *tion of an individual under this section for operation of*
15 *a motor vehicle at a land border port of entry with a drug*
16 *or alcohol in the body of the individual, to—*

17 “(A) *the State or foreign state that issued the li-*
18 *cence permitting the individual to operate a motor ve-*
19 *hicle; or*

20 “(B) *if the individual has no such license, the*
21 *State or foreign state in which the individual is a*
22 *resident.*

23 “(6) *For purposes of this subsection, the term ‘land*
24 *border port of entry’ means any land border port of entry*
25 *(as defined in section 287(h)(3) of the Immigration and Na-*

1 *tionality Act (8 U.S.C. 1357(h)(3))) that was not reserved*
 2 *or acquired as provided in section 7 of this title.”.*

3 **SEC. 2. AUTHORIZING OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE**
 4 **IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERV-**
 5 **ICE TO CONDUCT TESTS FOR A DRUG OR AL-**
 6 **COHOL.**

7 *Section 287 of the Immigration and Nationality Act*
 8 *(8 U.S.C. 1357) is amended by adding at the end the fol-*
 9 *lowing:*

10 *“(h)(1) If an officer or employee of the Service author-*
 11 *ized under regulations prescribed by the Attorney General*
 12 *is inspecting a driver at a land border port of entry and*
 13 *has reasonable grounds to believe that, because of alcohol*
 14 *in the body of the driver, operation of a motor vehicle by*
 15 *the driver is an offense under section 13 of title 18, United*
 16 *States Code, the officer or employee may require the driver*
 17 *to submit to a test of the breath of the driver to determine*
 18 *the presence or concentration of the alcohol.*

19 *“(2) If an officer or employee of the Service authorized*
 20 *under regulations prescribed by the Attorney General ar-*
 21 *rests a driver under this section for operation of a motor*
 22 *vehicle in violation of section 13 of title 18, United States*
 23 *Code, because of a drug or alcohol in the body of the driver,*
 24 *the officer or employee may require the driver to submit*
 25 *to a chemical or other test to determine the presence or con-*

1 centration of the drug or alcohol in the blood, breath, or
 2 urine of the driver.

3 “(3) For purposes of this subsection:

4 “(A) The term ‘driver’ means an individual who
 5 is operating a motor vehicle at a land border port of
 6 entry.

7 “(B) The term ‘land border port of entry’ means
 8 any immigration checkpoint operated by the Immi-
 9 gration and Naturalization Service at a land border
 10 between a State (as that term is used in section 13
 11 of title 18, United States Code) and a foreign state.”.

12 **SEC. 3. REQUIRING NOTICE AT LAND BORDER PORTS OF**
 13 **ENTRY REGARDING OPERATION OF A MOTOR**
 14 **VEHICLE AND DRUGS AND ALCOHOL.**

15 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—The Immigration and Nationality
 16 Act is amended by inserting after section 294 (8 U.S.C.
 17 1363a) the following:

18 “NOTICE AT LAND BORDER PORTS OF ENTRY REGARDING
 19 OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE AND DRUGS AND
 20 ALCOHOL

21 “SEC. 295. At each point where motor vehicles regu-
 22 larly enter a land border port of entry (as defined in section
 23 287(h)(3)), the Attorney General shall post a notice that
 24 operation of a motor vehicle with a drug or alcohol in the
 25 body of the driver at a land border port of entry is an of-
 26 fense under Federal law.”.

1 (b) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.*—*The first section of the*
 2 *Immigration and Nationality Act is amended in the table*
 3 *of contents by inserting after the item relating to section*
 4 *294 the following:*

“Sec. 295. Notice at land border ports of entry regarding operation of a motor vehicle and drugs and alcohol.”.

5 **SEC. 4. IMPOUNDMENT OF VEHICLE FOR REFUSAL TO SUB-**
 6 **MIT TO TEST FOR DRUG OR ALCOHOL.**

7 *Not more than 180 days after the date of the enactment*
 8 *of this Act, the Attorney General shall issue regulations au-*
 9 *thorizing an officer or employee of the Immigration and*
 10 *Naturalization Service to impound a vehicle operated at a*
 11 *land border port of entry, if—*

12 (1) *the individual who operates the vehicle re-*
 13 *fuses to submit to a chemical or other test under sec-*
 14 *tion 13(a)(3) of title 18, United States Code; and*

15 (2) *the impoundment is not inconsistent with the*
 16 *laws of the State in which the port of entry is located.*

17 **SEC. 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

18 *This Act shall take effect 180 days after the date of*
 19 *the enactment of this Act.*

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